Arizona's 2008 Adolescent Substance Abuse Conference

Confronting Social Barriers in Adolescence

Conference Speaker Information



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D.J. Eagle Bear Vanas is a husband, father, internationally acclaimed motivational storyteller and success coach. He is also the author of the celebrated book *The Tiny Warrior: A Path to Personal Discovery & Achievement* which is printed is six countries.

D.J. is Odawa Indian from Michigan and uses traditional warrior concepts and wisdom to inspire others to achieve their best in life and career. For fifteen years, he's delivered his dynamic programs in 49 states and overseas to over 2,000 audiences including NASA, IBM, Walt Disney, and hundreds of tribal governments, communities and schools. He has also worked extensively in the areas of substance abuse prevention and recently created a meth prevention video with SAMSHA and the Administration for Native Americans that will be distributed nationwide to tribal communities.

He holds a B.S. from the U.S. Air Force Academy and an M.S. from University of Southern California. After serving ten years as an Air Force officer, he is now the president of his own company, Native Discovery Inc. D.J.'s mission is to "build the warriors of tomorrow...today" and can be reached at <u>nativediscovery.com</u>